

Portland Electrical Workers on Strike To Re-establish Their Pre-Depression Wage and Forty Hour Work Week

Fifty members of Portland Local 567 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers went on strike yesterday (Monday) to enforce a demand made upon local contractors for the re-establishment of the pre-depression wage scale of \$11.50 per hour and for local contracts establishing the new wage and the 40-hour work week.

According to John R. Ardman, acting business manager of the local in the absence of Manager Alexander P. Bagley, the strike is 100 per cent effective, and all members affected by the strike are determined to stick it out until their demands have been met by the employers.

Members of Local 567 are engaged in general electrical construction work, and as a result all jobs of any consequence on which inside wiring, installation of electrical fixtures and other work is in course of completion, are tied up.

Because of the demand for electrical workers on construction and other projects, with considerable local work in course of construction and in prospect, officials of Local 567 and Organized Worker Kenneth New England representative of the Brotherhood who is assisting officials in the conduct of the strike, expressed confidence this will be of short duration.

Local contractors who refused to agree to the demands of the union for restoration of pre-depression wages and other union conditions, and who employ workers on strike yesterday, are as follows:

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Activities of Local Unions Making Up Portland Allied Printing Trades Are Bringing Amazing Results

Increased Attendance at Meetings, Constructive Work Done Along Union Label Line, Cooperation from Newly Appointed International Organizer, and Other Activities Are Factors Which Count in Progress Made by Local Organizations.

By HYMAN ERICK, President, Portland Allied Printing Trades Council

Clyde M. Cushman was re-elected president of the Portland Printing Trades Council at its annual meeting held on December 11 for the annual election of officers. Other officers elected were: Armand J. Couler, vice-president; Alphonse G. Hincus, secretary-treasurer; Frank D. Hincus, Roy A. Priole and Kenneth A. Smith, executive committee; Harold D. Lin, secretary; Gabriel A. Hinchey and A. T. M. Hanna, auditing committee; Roy A. Priole, sergeant-at-arms.

Installation of officers will take place on January 10.

Harold "Cap" Little, one of the oldest members of the Printing Trades, is very active in his position, and is now in active service and stationed at Fort McKinley in Portland, Maine.

Christmas cards, bearing the Allied Printing Trades label, can be ordered at Partridge, Mitchell & Braun, Ask for the Ryan Art Line.

Alban Hamer was a visitor in Portland on the Thanksgiving week-end. "Bob" is now employed in the operating room of the Stamford Hotel.

Alphonse M. Newcomb, of the firm of Parson & Newcomb, selling many publications of 651 Congress street, was one of many representatives who flew the country to help the Allied Printing Trades in getting the label put on all

Marriages to Jane M. Clark of the Press Herald profroom.

The program for the Elks Circus was pointed by Executive Press and carried the Allied label. The efforts of our members in securing the label on this program last year are certainly bearing fruit. Almost all of the printing used by the Portland Elks carries the label.

"Jud" Nichols, president of the New England Typo, met with Secretary Jesse Bue in Concord, N. H., and made plans for the Mid-Atlantic meeting of the New England Conference of Typographical Unions in Boston. Notices have been sent to all Typo unions.

At the request of the Organization Committee of the Chicago Printing Trades Union, the Portland Elks Industrial Union placed the following concourse in their "We Do Not Patronize" list:

Amheuser-Busch, St. Louis; Gillette Safety Razor Co., Chicago; National Stationery Products Corp., New York City; Enterprise Mfg. Co., (Leasing Office), Akron, O.

Hugh W. Matheson, executive secretary of the Chicago Organizing Committee, states the above concerns, in the face of all protests, persist in their alliance with the Elks Industrial Union. He states that we are not to be so easily deceived, and our resentment at their continued contributions to Donnelly's anti-labor list.

John R. Madigan, son of Elizabeth M. Madigan of the Press Herald composing room, was a candidate for the Portland School Board at the recent election. This was Mr. Madigan's first attempt to secure public office and he made a very creditable showing, carrying Ward Two, Four and Six.

"Jim" O'Dell was a recent visitor at the Evening Express composing room, where he was to be seen along the road to revocey. "Gene" Beardon, also on the list, is expected back to work very soon.

Francis McDonough underwent a successful surgical operation at the Hospital of the Sacred Heart, Portland, Me. He was a member of the Elks Industrial Union in the State of Maine. He attended the 3rd Convention of the International Union of Pressmen, Tenn., and came back very much improved by the Howard and Satisfactory. He was a member of the Committee on Subordinates Unions.

Congratulations and the best of luck to "Cabo" Kibrida on his appointment as organizer for the Portland Elks Industrial Union in the State of Maine. He attended the 3rd Convention of the International Union of Pressmen, Tenn., and came back very much improved by the Howard and Satisfactory. He was a member of the Committee on Subordinates Unions.

Guy Spaulding is employed at the Portsmouth Navy Yard.

The President will hold his annual dinner on Monday, January 19.

Portland Clothing Firm (Continued from Page 1)

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"Slingload" Agreement Reached By Union and Port Authority

In an effort to stimulate shipping to and from Portland, the Portland Longshoremen's Brotherhood (B.L.S.) agreed to the use of "slingload" in discharging ship's cargo at this harbor, principally with the union that stevedores and steamship agents might use their own discretion, with the use of slingload, in the longshore force.

The general agreement was arrived at after many months of conferences in which representatives of the union stevedores, the Portland Authority and the Local Chamber of Commerce participated.

The new ruling, which changes the old-time prevailing custom of 50 years or more, has always been based on the use of the basic protective regulation governing the work of ship cargo discharging, as universally understood.

With this regulation removed, an incentive effort will be made by the directors of marine transportation to increase the prominence of Portland as a shipping center. This will be accomplished by removing the disadavantage position at the January meeting; Harry Adams, vice-president; Raymond Wilson, secretary-treasurer; William P. Gorrihan, treasurer; Philip O'Donnell, board of trustees; James H. Cramer, auditor; and Dr. Daniel M. Howe, physician.

voiding fines and suspensions imposed upon plaintiffs by the union's executive board and managers for time lost as a result.

Portland CLU Names H. E. Howe for Re-Election as President

Horace E. Howe, who, administrator of the Portland Central Labor Union has been named for re-election during the past year, was re-elected at a meeting of that organization.

Other officers nominated for the annual election, which will be held on Wednesday evening, are as follows: Vice-president, James H. Cramer; secretary-treasurer, William P. Gorrihan; secretary, Philip O'Donnell; board of trustees, James H. Cramer, auditor, and Dr. Daniel M. Howe, physician.

For trustees, three to be elected: John D. McNeil, Pauline J. Duffin, and Horace Germaine, Freight Inspector; Anthony DeFilippo, Barber and William P. MacIntyre.

Tardiff Denies He Agreed to Serve on Testimony Committee

Home unauthorised person recently took the liberty to use the name of Arthur Tardiff, member of Portland Typographical Union, in connection with the Portland Central Labor Union. In a statement made to the Portland Central Labor Union, Tardiff stated that inasmuch as he has frequently criticized the Government, it would be incongruous in his part in any way participate in any affair arranged to manifest appreciation of his administration.

Mr. Tardiff stated he notified the committee of his refusal to accept membership on the committee, and asked that his name be stricken from printed matter which made it appear that he was a member of the committee.

Truck Drivers Appeal Order to Re-instate Men in Local Union

Officers and members of Portland Truck Drivers' Local 461 are dissatisfied over the verdict rendered against the union by Chief Justice Guy H. Sturgis. The forces of local 461 are re-instate to membership 30 men who were expelled for violation of union rules about a year ago.

Acting for the local union, Business Agent Raymond Conroy, through the organization's attorneys, filed notice through the Chief Justice and his other defendants would appeal to the Maine Supreme Court.

Hearings on the bill lasted several days, at which was asked injunctions

to which Portland has hitherto been subject, in the case of signers where current legislative regulations were more advantageous to employers than were those of the local Port.

The action of the Longshoremen in yielding up this valuable concession for the general good of the industry, is highly commended and is expected to give a strong and permanent stimulus to the Port of Portland.

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Other officers chosen were: John J. Thornton, vice-president; Thomas E. Foley, recording secretary; Stephen J. Fabry, financial secretary; William P. Gorrihan, treasurer; Philip O'Donnell, board of trustees; James H. Cramer, auditor; and Dr. Daniel M. Howe, physician.

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years ago, declined reappointment. Other nominations for the annual election, which is to be held January 19, are as follows: Vice-president, Mrs. Laura Gannon, Mrs. Mildred Gannon and Mrs. Blanche Burke; for secretary, Mrs. Helen Maloney and Mrs. Ethel McDonald; for financial secretary, Mrs. Mary Dunn and Mrs. Ethel McDonald; for treasurer, Mrs. Mary Griffin; for sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Lena Thompson; Mrs. Maud Lewis and Mrs. Mary Engles. Mrs. Millie Houday declined reappointment as financial secretary.

The Auxiliary plans to hold a Christmas party on Monday evening, December 30.

Ladies' Garment Wks. Officials Move to Larger Quarters

Due to the tremendous increase in membership of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, it was necessary to move their New England office to larger quarters. They are now located at 119 Washington street, Boston.

Much progress is being made in Portland by this union through the efforts of International President David Dubinsky, a relentless campaign will be carried on until hundreds of exploited workers now without the protection of the union in that industry enroll themselves as the union's members.

Auxiliary Member Refuses to Order Coal from Non-Union Firm

When a representative of a non-union coal dealer called on Mrs. Laura Gannon for an order to supply her with fuel for the winter, he found that all his efforts in vain. Mrs. Gannon informed him that as a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Central Labor Union, she was not her policy to deal with coal companies employing non-union labor.

Even after the representative said there was no labor trouble with his company, she remained firm that they had been a strike a few months past, and after referring to the old card of refusal to discriminate against representatives of the Union in order to keep a former customer, the salesman was asked to order coal with an explicit "No", and the order went to a dealer who employs members of Truck Drivers' Local 461.

NOTE: Members of the Portland Central Labor Union and the Portland Typographical Union, who are not members of Local 567, are not eligible to vote in the annual election. Look around you to see this notice in the paper to see this notice!

In and Out of the News

END OF NYA PROJECT AT QUODDY VILLAGE (Dartport) will come to an end about the middle of this month. The occasion was publicly marked by a collection on the part of a large contingent of those who have been actively employed in that village. The collection was \$100.00. A considerable body of the workers (Continued on Page 1)

Two Candidates for President of C. L. U. Ladies' Auxiliary

Members of Women's Auxiliary to the Portland Central Labor Union, at their meeting held December 4th, nominated two candidates for the annual election for next year. Contestants for the office will be Mrs. David H. Gannon and Mrs. Ruth Loring. Mrs. H. E. Howe, who has been president since the Auxiliary was instituted three

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HORACE HOWE'S COLUMN

Walter Kenneth, interventional representative of the Portland Workers' Brotherhood, was a visitor to Portland on Tuesday, December 2d.

Talking with one of the Union operators at West Buxton last week, I was told that most of the boys in industry had gotten their quota of deer this past season. However, I am from Massachusetts.

Harry Lowell, Jr. reports that he disposed of all his turkeys for "Thanksgiving."

Mrs. Millicent Bowdway entertained members of the C. L. U. Auxiliary on December 4 at her home on the West End.

If you're "stuck" on what to give for Christmas, a subscription to the Maine Labor News will not only solve the problem but help your State Federation of Labor.

To find out what is going on in the Printing Trades, read President Hyman Erick's column starting with this issue.

... Congratulations and best wishes to "Ivy".
That clanking noise heard a few days ago when a group of boys were in a scuffle, did not come from a blacksmith's anvil, but from a new set of so-called stars teeth. Well, they say practice makes perfect.
Oh, dear! Oh, dear! Karl Hinks returned from that long-to-be-remembered hunting trip, without a deer. Pages 112 Bowdway.

Another unsuccessful hunter was Kippie Cole of the Plum Street Station. He was out for a deer recently. I mean, of course, the "road hog" who forced him off the road and killed a fifty million came ahead and pulled his car out of the ditch. There ought to be a law.
... (Miss Minnie)
The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rich and LeRoy was seen observing the vicar of the chimney when they moved into their new home, evidently wondering if Santa Claus could get down all right.

John J. McLeod, post of Local 333, was congratulated on being a grandfather for the eleventh time when the stars left bounding baby girl at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Price of Westbrook.

Miss Lorraine Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Roberts, was guest dancer for the Westbrook Kiwanis Charity Show on December 8. Miss Jean Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell, also was among the entertainers. Mr. Russell is a member of Local 48, Moving Picture Operators. Both Misses Roberts and Russell have performed for the Local Union affairs and in the opinion of many, a great future awaits them.

A recent article in a Portland newspaper mentioned John C. Fitzgerald, State WPA Administrator, for the post of City Manager of Bangor. If Mr. Fitzgerald does go to Bangor, his office, and honest administration of the Maine WPA will be of tremendous value to Bangor and the workers will be assured of fair play.

Governor Lewis G. Barrows was not successful in convincing Governor-elect Sumner Sewall as to the appointment of Mr. Barrows as Adjutant of the 4th Regiment. Aim not at all unrelated, at the present Governor seeking this \$200-a-year honor upon his retirement the first of January, but must confess that I am in accord with Mr. Sewall's decision. Barrows and those who, because of pettiness, are entitled to this appointment.

Frank Lynch was named chairman of the Cumberland County Power and Light Co. City Department, (Portland Division) Safety Committee, and Philip Pace and Raymond Bowdway complete the committee which is charged with investigating industrial accidents in the department. E. T. Conroy, safety officer, presided at the meeting. It looks like a safer work post for 1941.

Delegates to the Central Labor Union voted where the union spirit is everywhere, a member of a Local Union, Irving in the West End, possesses a special gift for the children in the Union baby shop for free hair-raisers during the Barbers Clinic, when over a thousand haircuts were provided free to local school children. It is hoped that the party referred to will realize what true unionism means. Of course, the name of this party is known and might appear in this column if the practice continues. Let's give the Union Barber fair play.

Hyman Erick represented the Central Labor Union at a public hearing before the Wage and Hour Research Committee of the State House. State Senator Gail Laughlin of Portland is chairman of the committee.
Ray Packer, after a brief stay in the suburbs, has returned to the city. It is probable the snow conditions are responsible for this.

America Rowan, although lacking a voice like the late Caruso, answered

several scores at a recent benefit show at the Hibernia Address Post, A. L. U. Christmas presents started to arrive early at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Harris. It was a girl, Mother and child are doing nicely at the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital, and Papa Harris came through all right.

Christmas cards bearing the Union label of the Allied Printing Trades Council may be purchased at the Portland, Mitchell and Irwin Co. This was discovered after several stores had been visited by the Label Committee of the Central Labor Union, assisted by Organizer Nichols of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

It sure is concrete evidence that the Labor vote of Maine means something in an election, as was proven in the Presidential election, when Mr. Williams defeated President Roosevelt by only a trifling over 1,000 votes. It must be remembered that Mr. Landon carried the State by 42,000 in 1928. The Maine State Federation of Labor endorsed President Roosevelt's support in coming elections, whether they be city, state or national. It will be well for them to remember that Labor will vote for its friends, and the record of the country since 1928 will be well remembered.

Maurice Libby returned home from a recent hunting trip, and would you believe it, on the returning boat of the trusty old filver was a deer. Which, by the way, remains your story that I did have some venison, kindly donated by no other than Raymond Earl ("Sea Slacker") Bowdway.

Social Security

By ALBERT H. TARDIF

30 BRANHAMM, WHEAT

PORTLAND, MAINE

any reader of the Labor News may secure, without cost, answers to questions relating to Social Security by addressing their questions to the above-named writer. The questions will be answered through this column. Only initials will be used. If a direct personal or desired answer is desired, a 8-cent stamped envelope with your address upon it.

The importance of having a trade label on the rationing board of the first of a series of monthly reports by the Bureau of Employment Security when it was revealed that a man of 31 was hired by an engineering concern. The Board stated that his experience and ability to do his job now outweigh all other considerations.

Many employers have standing requests for skilled workers according to the report. Some employers have adjusted their operations in order that their skilled workers may be employed. These semi-skilled workers are promoted as they acquire ability through experience.

It's the old story being retold in a more urgent sense. Skilled help is needed; supply limited; inexperienced help not wanted; supply unlimited. It is a question of training and experience.

It takes time to turn unskilled workers into a person. Experience acquired under the guidance of a master is the best method I know about. Opportunities to learn training in many States.

To meet the needs of our national defense program, it is expected that a nation-wide apprenticeship training program will be undertaken. The cooperation of unions and employers will be sought in an endeavor to establish standards of training which will increase the supply of skilled help but will not tend to break down the labor standards which labor unions have fought so hard and so long to establish.

The steps likely to be followed are:
(1) The inventory of skills and experience available in each classification; (2) Es-

They say the reason given by an officer of the Auxiliary for declining re-eminuation was the expectancy of an addition in the near future.

Edward Ambrose, president of Woodens and Workers' Local 1103 of Sanford, has been named to the General Executive Board of the Federation.

Secretary Laurence Broun of the Sanford Union says that the New Year's Eve celebration sponsored by the American Legion will be bigger and better, and that carol singing will add to the color of the program. Take it from me that when they do something in Sanford, they do it with a vengeance.

The past two months has resulted in local 237 of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorative and Paperhangers. Leonid Lavigne is president of the Portland local and William Crowley is secretary.

Mrs. Alice Howe, president of the Auxiliary to the Portland C. L. U., is a patient at the Maine General Hospital where she is recovering from an operation.

Miss Winifred ("Winnie") Sheldon was a welcome visitor to Portland the other week, and she paid her former employers a visit. As usual, a number of officers of the C. L. U. and representatives of the Garment Workers' Union were there to greet her. The new resident in North Street, Man-

chester has nearly as possible the number of such workers required to run the national defense program as speedily as national safety requires; (3) determine the ratio of apprentices needed to meet the expected demands in such skilled trade-work shortages are uncovered.

Developments on the employment front throughout the country were reported by the Bureau. The New England States were grouped in one geographical division. This section is beginning much from large defense contracts. Plant expansions needed to handle these contracts have stimulated the building trades as have also the building of military camps. The report states that the expansion of New England industry will call for more training opportunities for labor. Some large employers have started their own apprenticeship schools and are planning to expand them.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Q—How much money has Maine's LUC paid out in benefits during the last three years?
A—Chairman Clifford Somerville disclosed a recent budget hearing that this commission has paid out approximately \$1,500,000 since payments started. Some more would be paid this year, are expected to reach \$2,000,000.

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DECEMBER, 1940

Jurisdictional Disputes on Defense Projects Are "Out"

The 115 carpenters who truck on the War Department's new \$4,500,000 building in Washington during the month because of a jurisdictional dispute with another union, and which tied up construction work for a day, were ordered back to their jobs by General President William L. Hutcherson when his attention was called to the incident, while presiding over the Brotherhood's convention in session in Lakeland, Florida.

Carrying out the policy established by the American Federation of Labor at its recent convention in New Orleans, every possible means are to be taken by A. F. of L. unions to avoid strikes on defense projects, and as far as known, the dispute on the War Department building was the first to have occurred since the convention action.

In ordering the men back to work, President Hutcherson said that while he did not question the right of the Washington local to sanction the walk-out, he opposed the stoppage of work, believing the matter could be adjudicated by having the difficulty referred to the Building Trades Department of the A. F. of L.

Members of the House Judiciary Committee, who are considering a bill sponsored by Representatives whose antagonism toward Labor legislation has been most pronounced, when hearing of the incident quickly grasped the opportunity to voice their sentiments in favor of the bill to outlaw strikes.

Principal among these was Representative Hoffman of Michigan, who, in referring to the proposed legislation to ban strikes on defense work, has been most vicious in his denunciation of labor unions.

President Hutcherson's order to the Washington local to send their men back to work, was most timely, and he is to be congratulated. His action demonstrated a desire on the part of A. F. of L. leaders to eliminate strikes on defense projects and this should satisfy those who would deny trade unions their rights, that sufficient power is vested in A. F. of L. union officials to use other means besides strikes to settle differences on defense jobs, thereby making unnecessary the enactment of a law for this purpose.

Communists in Airplane Factories "Congress May Act to Ban Strikes!"

This was the big news chronicled during the week, and judging from statements by several members of Congress, action is to be taken for curbing strikes in airplane factories, which are claimed to be causing great difficulty in getting the government's defense program into full swing.

Sponsors for the move are placing the blame on Communists, who they claim, are in control of CIO unions, and believe the enactment of a law to curb strikes and, carrying heavy fines and imprisonment against violators, is the one and only remedy.

Of course, they are wrong! Such a law, if enacted, would be just what the Communists and their followers want. Ever since the breed began pestering this country they have been boring from within, and in one way or another succeeded in selling their wares to scores of workers who had faith in them until, something occurred to make them realize they were supporting a lost cause.

It is our opinion that sponsors for the proposed strike ban law should go about it in some other way. To enact a law that would curb the liberties of millions of workers because of the unpatriotic activities of a few, would be unjust.

What should really be done by these M. C.'s if they are certain that Communists who dominate CIO unions are responsible, would be to, first, prove their contention; secondly, to be certain that employers are operating their plants in accordance with Federal protective legislation, as this applies to wages, working hours, and other conditions; thirdly, to adopt the plan suggested by President Green of the American Federation of Labor for set-

ting up tribunals to handle such emergencies.

We agree there should be stronger means taken to prevent Communists and their followers from working in plants engaged in defense work. This should not be a severe task, however, as they are comparatively small in numbers. This was demonstrated at the November election, when the entire Communist vote in one State was little more than 300.

In dealing with Communists, however, one important thing must be kept in mind; namely, that they are battling for what they consider a great cause, and that by lighting the flame of dissimulation among large numbers of workers, they hope to achieve what their cause stands for.

It is, therefore, plain that the root of the evil, if conditions are such as reported in airplane factories, that Communists are at the bottom of the trouble and by the power and influence they possess over large bodies of workers are successful in stirring up strife such as is taking place at present.

Speaking on behalf of the American Federation of Labor, President Green said, "Labor wishes to prevent interruption of production whereby differences can be adjusted." Mr. Green, of course, was not speaking on behalf of the Communist-dominated CIO. However, we feel confident he is opposed to the enactment of any law that would take away the God-given rights of all Labor to use drastic means against employers who would impose grave injustices on their workers.

Thousands of factories, in which millions of people are employed, are at work in one way or another on defense orders. Our attention was directed to a local factory recently where as little as \$2 a day is paid for a 60-hour week. Would it not be unjust to these workers, if they organized and went on strike to enforce fair demands, to say they are law-violators?

Definitely, there must be another way to this country and not yet at war. It is just preparing in case trouble comes to our shores. Take whatever are the most feasible means to rout Communists from airplane and other factories, but don't do anything to enslave tens of millions of workers who are patriotic to the core, by tying their hands and making them suppliant to the will of unfair employers.

Dualism Not Only Unwise But Unworkable

John Lewis, in a CIO convention statement in Atlantic City, proclaimed his opposition toward industrial peace with the A. F. of L. until such time as the CIO has acquired sufficient strength and influence to be able to dictate its own terms as to affiliation with the A. F. of L.

William Green, speaking for the A. F. of L., in his address to the New Orleans convention, said the door is open for the return of former affiliates to the House of Labor. This is his statement Mr. Green stipulates certain terms which are not to the liking of Mr. Lewis, who, while not the official head of the CIO any longer, is regarded as the real moving spirit that will decide the future destinies of that organization, as he has since its inception.

Since the opening of the two conventions, on Monday, November 18, the CIO in Atlantic City and the A. F. of L. in New Orleans, there has been much speculation as to any possibility for bringing about reconciliation between the two organizations, and there are some on the sidelines who actually believe that any further effort is just a waste of time.

There are others who actually believe that no effort at reconciliation should be made at all, using the argument that the A. F. of L., with its tremendous economic and membership gains during the past few years, and the present solidarity of its affiliates, has gotten along very nicely without the CIO unions, and advise those who seek peace and unity that they had better "lay off" for the time being.

These latter are of the opinion that a series of terrific headaches are in store for the A. F. of L., at least while Mr. Lewis holds the whip-hand over the CIO. They base their opinion on that which occurred during the first week of the convention, when representatives of one-tenth of the original unions who formed the CIO took up most of the time of the convention in criticism of the principles and policies of the A. F. of L., and are wondering how far the other nine-tenths would go if let loose, and especially while under the domination of John Lewis and his aggregation of Communist supporters.

Through its willingness to cooperate with the government in its colossal program for defense, and by this means having won public approval, while the CIO, led by Communists, resorted to pecuniary measures to demonstrate its aversion toward uninterrupted production, the A. F. of L. not only increased its strength and prestige, but demonstrated its stability in a manner that is sure to make its future efforts doubly successful.

Ever since the dual movement started by the CIO, and which at first caused some disturbance, the A. F. of L. has sought peace. It was feared division in the Labor movement would act as a stumbling block in the path of progress. Repeatedly, Mr. Lewis repudiated this idea, notwithstanding he knew in his own mind that his actions have and will deter progress to a considerable extent.

Well! If that's the way Mr. Lewis and his successor in office feel, those who believe the A. F. of L. can get along without the CIO are in accord with the idea that the Federation should go it alone, feeling confident that by keeping up the fight as it has during the past three years, when

it has made the greatest progress of any time in its entire history, it should ignore the CIO, go about its business, and wait for the time when dualists have become satisfied that dualism, and especially when it is honeycombed with enemies of the government, is not only unwise but unworkable.

T. R. on Collective Bargaining

"I believe the practice of collective bargaining, effective only through such organizations as the trades unions, to have been one of the most potent forces in the past century in promoting the progress of wage earners and in securing larger social progress for humanity."—Theodore Roosevelt.

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At a dinner given in his honor last week at the Willard Hotel, Washington, Sir Walter Citrine, general secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, laid marked stress upon the hardships which the people of Great Britain are undergoing at this time and declared that his country had to rely upon aid more upon American aid. This chiefly comprised the furnishing of vital defense armaments and general military supplies to withstand the attacks which the Nazis were directing against the British Isles.

Though this fact has been generally understood, it had not been so vividly portrayed, as in the present instance. The British envoy gave a close-up and striking first-hand picture of the devastation and toll of suffering which the British and heroic people of Great Britain were enduring for the cause of liberty and freedom from a foreign despotism.

people, especially the trade unions, looked for friendly sympathy and material support. Hitlerism must be defeated, if the freedom of labor were to be preserved.

ADVISERS AGAINST COMPLETION

The speaker condemned completion of works, with regard to their conduct of employment problems. Conciliation and collective agreements had, he said, been the only way to ensure strong and united support of the rank and file of the producers in industry. Such agreements, he said, would prevent disputes and technical losses. He exhorted the general public to appraise the whole situation, calmly and collectively, and to become truly aware of the vastness of the task which lay ahead of all countries—and the growing menace of the present situation.

"Sir Walter dwelt upon the necessity of a speed-up and free flow of production machinery—especially in war planes and machine tools. "Production, production, and more production" of the vital essentials of armaments was the great need of the hour, he concluded. In this, he has emphasized the now prevalent keynote of the whole national defense program—speed ever-increasing output.

The distinguished envoy was introduced by William Graham, Secretary of the A. F. of L., accompanied by Secretary-Treasurer George Meany. Other notable present were Associate Justice Hugo Black and Stanley Reed of the United States Supreme Court, Secretary of Labor Perkins, Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, and a large number of government officials and leading representatives of labor.

Mid Winter Meeting of New England Conference of Typographical Unions To Be in Boston Sunday, January 12

Pursuant to action taken at the convention of the New England Conference of Typographical Unions, held in Stamford, Conn., last June, it was decided by the Executive Board during the week that arrangements had been made to hold the annual mid-winter conference in Boston on Sunday, January 12, at Newpark American Legion Post Hall, 412 Washington Street, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Those gatherings have grown much larger and more important with an increasing number in attendance, as well

and there is no reason to believe that this meeting will be any exception in those of the past, members of the Executive Board may in the call issued to affiliated unions.

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Culinary Workers to Hold Jubilee Convention in Cincinnati

Edward Flore, president of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and Bartenders' International League of America, announces that the 20th general convention of the organization—the golden jubilee convention—will be held beginning Monday, April 21, 1941, in Cincinnati, instead of Toledo.

President Flore said that the general executive board found it necessary, because suitable hotel accommodations could not be found in Toledo, to move the golden jubilee convention to another city and that after careful consideration the board decided that the most logical city would be the city in which the international headquarters are located, Cincinnati.

The convention will be held in the Hall of Mirrors, Neighborhood Plaza Hotel. Convention headquarters will be in the union's general building, permitting the delegates to choose their hotel accommodations from any of the downtown hotels.

EDWARD FLORE

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Norris-LaGuardia Act Basis on Which U.S. Supreme Court Banned Injunctions Against Labor Unions

November 12, 1940, will be a memorable date in labor annals, for on that day the U. S. Supreme Court handed down a decision striking down the prohibitions of what has generally been known as the Norris-LaGuardia Act in certain vital cases in which labor was sought to be hindered through court injunctions.

The decision, generally sought on the part of plaintiff employers. The reason was that the act prohibited the making broad-scale exemptions of labor from the court injunctions. This was the basis for the High Court's decision. The decree was unanimous.

The act was enacted in 1932, and was a part of an Injunction Act of the Seventh Circuit Court which had been interpreted by the Chicago Milk Drivers' Union (A. F. of L.) from picketing so-called "red" stores.

The act delivered by a CIO union of vendors. Justice Black of the Supreme Court, who delivered the opinion, declared that Congress in adopting the Norris-LaGuardia Act, had clearly

intended that Federal Courts had brought hardship through objectionable injunctions, which were based on charges of conspiracy to violate the Anti-Trust Law.

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800 Members of Providence Unions Attend Banquet Given Bricklayers' President Elected to Congress

John W. Foran, president of Providence Bricklayers' International Union, was elected to Congress at the November 13 election, was the guest of honor at a banquet held at the Hotel New England last Sunday evening.

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and good Democrat, but several speakers took occasion to refer to his dilemma in not having taken upon himself a "side-kick," some going as far as to hint it would be thrilling to have him embark upon the sea of Congress.

The splendid success given Mr. Foran during his term as Governor of Rhode Island, his 27 years of experience in the legislature, and his election through the support of the Bricklayers' International Union, were mentioned by several speakers.

Mr. Foran's election to Congress was a triumph for the Bricklayers' International Union, and a credit to the labor movement.

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"Throughout the years of depression the most compelling problem before the nation has been the problem of unemployment—unemployment of men, of machines and of money. The problem of unemployment remains unsolved today, and the obligation to accomplish the solution rests squarely upon those engaged in industry but upon those in every segment of our economic system.

"Less than 25 per cent of those actually employed in the nation are normally employed in manufacturing. It is obvious, therefore, that manufacturing can absorb only part of those unemployed. As industrial activity expands, however, the cumulative effects lead to partial employment throughout the entire economy.

"The mutual cooperation of industry, labor, commerce, and agriculture is the end of mining national strength and security, and the resultant individual satisfactions.

"In seeking to meet these requirements to maximum employment of the nation's man-power, it is recognized that results must come from intelligent action generally throughout the entire range of our national society. Such intelligent action, within the field of industry, requires understanding and a cooperative spirit on the part of men who invest, men who labor, and men who manage. All must recognize the mutuality of interests involved.

"The profit motive is indispensable, but it must be pursued with due regard to the vital long-term economic and social considerations involved. Among these essential factors are the maintenance of stability in the individual enterprise; recognition of the interests of the consumer and the employee; and the creation and maintenance of public good will.

"Harmonious relations between labor and management in each industrial enterprise is in the interest not only of the employer and the employee but of the whole people. National security and well-being cannot be built between labor and capital, resulting in class competition and interference, otherwise with the continuity and economic production.

"This entire article consists of quotations from a booklet published by the National Association of Manufacturers and is, to me, a most powerful argument for organization both from the viewpoint of the employer and the employee.

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minimum wages, holidays with pay and machinery for adjusting grievances and arbitration.

Under the leadership of Miss Mary Taccara, vice-president of the Federation, and with the cooperation of officers of Local 3449 of the Cranston Print Works Company employees of Cranston, R. I., have been organized, and on Thursday, November 11, these employees went to the police under the direction of the First Regional Office of the National Labor Relations Board, and demonstrated loyalty to their union when 231 voted for the Federation of

Cotton Textile Workers of America, and 183 voting against. It is hoped, through the militant leadership of this local union, to put on a drive in Rhode Island to organize the Cotton Textile Workers.

NEW HAVEN UNION SECURES PAY RAISE

Results of the strike, last August, at the Pood Lily Co., New Haven, under the leadership of John McDonough of Local Union 212, Federation of Cotton Textile Workers of America, proved very successful. One of the provisions in the settlement was that the Conciliation Service of the U. S. Department of Labor would secure the parties involved, the wage structure, work load and other conditions of employment for the purpose of adjusting the wage question.

On Wednesday, November 26th, President Styria, with a committee from Local 212, met with the employer, and favorable conditions and a wage increase ranging from two to six cents per hour, retroactive to October 1939, was granted. A meeting of this organization will be held very shortly, when officers and committee members will make a final report to the union.

FEDERATION'S STAFF OF OFFICERS
Officers of the Federation are as follows: President, Joseph Styria; first vice-president, Mary Taccara; second vice-president, Charles Connor; third vice-president, William P. Bowen; fourth vice-president, William F. Kealy; fifth vice-president, Norman Campbell; secretary-treasurer, Albert Drouin.

Following are members of the Executive Council: Jetera, Herrigan, Norwood, R. L. Murto Bianchi, Allison, Mack, William Hartley, Jameson, N. T. Edward Ambrose, Sanford, Me., Margaret Shaw, Providence, R. I.; Anthony Drogala, South Barre, Mass.; James Maloy, Jr., Columbia, N. Y.; and Edward Morrisette, Keene, N. H.

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State Federation of Labor Presents Model Wage-Hour Bill to Special Legislative Committee

Draft of Bill is Similar in Purport to Federal Wage-Hour Statute to Cover Persons Employed in Intrastate Commerce—Three State Federation Officials Make Part of Committee Which Drafted the Measure—Newspaper Publishers Insist on Exemptions for Weekly Newspapers.

That which he terms as a model Wage-Hour bill by Secretary Charles O. Dunton of the Maine State Federation of Labor, at a meeting of Special Recess Committee held November 28, was discussed at another meeting held December 2 and, according to Senator Chas. Laughlin, chairman of the committee, it is hoped that the committee will have something lined up at another meeting to be held on Thursday, December 19th, preparatory for submission to the State Legislature, when this convenes in regular session in January.

The measure, which is similar in purport to the Federal Wage and Hour Act, which covers persons employed in interstate commerce, if enacted, will embrace those employed in intrastate industries, and will benefit thousands of workers who will come under the minimum wage regulations, the 40-

hour week, and piece and one-half for overtime work. In explaining the measure drafted on behalf of the State Federation of Labor, Secretary Dunton said that starting with a minimum wage rate of 25 cents an hour the first year after effective date of the law, the proposed bill would set the minimum pay at 30 cents an hour the next six months, and at the expiration of seven years it would be forty cents.

The maximum hours the first year would be eight a day and 44 for a week, and eight hours a day and 42 a week during the second year. After expiration of the second year, the hours would be eight a day and 40 for each week, unless an employer received compensation for overtime at a rate not less than one and one-half times the regular rate. A Wage and Hour Bureau would be created in the State Labor and Industry Department, and authority would be given the Labor Commissioner to appoint a director and to enforce the law.

Provisions would not interfere with, impede or diminish the right of employees to bargain collectively to establish wages "in excess of the applicable minimum wages" under the proposed measure or to establish shorter hours than those provided under the recommended legislation.

"It is my sincere belief," Secretary Dunton told the committee, "that the enactment of a reasonable Wage-Hour Act would not only improve the general welfare of lower-paid workers of the State but would tend to better the economic conditions within the State."

Some of those appearing at the hearing criticized the Federal Wage-Hour Act as an instrument which "discourages apprenticeship" because employers must pay the "same base of salary as they do for unskilled and skilled workers."

Little opposition was registered against the adoption of the State Wage and Hour Act at the November 28th hearing. Principal among opponents were Henry J. Hart, attorney for the Bangor and Ansonia Railway, and Filo Nevins of the Brunswick Record, the latter representing the Maine Press Association, who said that if a State law were enacted, his group would insist on the same exemptions for weekly papers as provided in the Federal law.

Attorney Hart, in opposing the measure, made a statement to the effect that 85 per cent of Maine workers were subject to the Federal law. This was

denied by George Jabar, organizer for the CIO textile workers in Maine, who said that only 65,000 men and women employed in Maine are covered by the Federal law, and asserted thousands of others engaged in small establishments are not protected under the law.

Others who spoke in favor of the measure at the public hearing, were Hyman Erlich, representing the Portland Allied Printing Trades Council; L. M. Carroll, an official of the Mercury Shoe Co., who told the committee he favors a State law if its provisions conform with the Federal statute; Michael F. Flaherty, representing Lewiston-Auburn and Ellsworth shoe workers; Misses Sarah McCaffrey and Anne Keweenaw of the Portland Business and Professional Women's Club, who said their interest in any proposed wage-hour legislation was to see that it applied equally to men and women.

Representing the State Federation, besides Secretary Dunton, are Richard W. Qualls of Bangor and Horace E. Howe of South Portland.

\$4,389,000 Contract on Hartford Housing Job Goes to Brooklyn Firm

From Hartford comes word that the local Housing Authority has announced that the B. M. W. Contracting Co. of Brooklyn, N. Y., with an offer of \$4,389,000, was the apparent low bidder for the construction of a 1000-family housing project.

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Airport Station Project

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The 52d, 54th and 64th Bombardment Squadrons, the 13th Reconnaissance Squadron and the 8th Airborne Group, totaling approximately 12,000 men and officers, will be stationed at Bangor.

Other facilities will be erected, the War Department said, at Bangor, Idaho, Charlotte, N.C. and Tucson, Ariz. Total costs will be \$5,700,000.

Bangor has been designated by the War Department as the northeast's primary defense airport. A Class Four field, it will have three 5,000-foot runways when completed at a total cost of \$900,000 to the War Department, the WPA Civil Aeronautics Authority and the Maine State Military Defense Commission.

The airport project is about one-third completed, according to Maine WPA Administrator John C. Fitzgerald, who said one runway had been excavated and was now ready for a permanent surface and that work on the extension of the second runway was progressing satisfactorily. WPA has 256 men working there, he said.

Spirit of Christmastide Finely Interpreted at Freese's

Nowhere in Maine is there a Christmas display at any store comparable to the magnificent setting for the holiday season that greets visitors and shoppers in Bangor at Freese's Department Store, whose "Christmas Wonderland" is unequalled anywhere in the United States for a community of the size of the Queen City of Maine. The entire store front at Freese's Department Store is a myriad of color and flickering lights glowing a warm welcome to the thousands of shoppers from this city and miles around, who make their Christmas shopping headquarters at Freese's and in Bangor. On either side of the center of this store's large building is the name of "Freese's" in huge letters, with "Merry Christmas" signs in like flickering signs on each lower side of the firm name. Above the building are magical fast-moving holiday electric novelty signs and the entire front facade of the building has a profusion of Christmas colored bulbs.

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MADISON

Kennebec Local 73 Names Committee Of Arrangements for Easter Ball; Pres. Ingalls Re-elected 31st Term

Naming a committee to make arrangements for the annual Easter Ball and electing officers for the coming year were among the highlights of the business disposed of at the last meeting of Kennebec Local 73 of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, held in Knights of Pythias Hall, Madison.

Greatly appreciating the splendid service rendered by President Lewis Ingalls during the past two years, he was tendered reelection for a third term by acclamation. Other officers elected were as follows: Vice-President, Romeo Baker; recording secretary, Walter Palm; finan-

cial secretary, Willis Russell; treasurer, Fred Palmer.

Working conditions at the Great Northern Paper Company's plant, in which members of Local 73 are employed, "are very good," writes Secretary Palm, adding that this mill has defied any of the hardship experienced by the late business depression.

Referring to the re-election of President Ingalls, Secretary Palm writes: "We elected him for a third term for



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Philip Murray is Unanimous Choice of CIO for President

Philip Murray, a vice-president of the CIO since it was instituted, and chairman of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, was unanimously chosen to succeed John L. Lewis as president at



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the third annual convention, held in Atlantic City during the week of November 18.

Re-elected to office was Secretary James H. Carey, Vice-Presidents Emil Blawie, S. H. Dalrymple, H. J. Thomas and Reid Robinson.

The two new vice-presidents are Frank Rosenbloom of Chicago, a vice-president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and President Joseph Curran of the National Maritime Union.

AFL Clerks Win Pay Increase; End Strike in 1,500 Grocery Stores

Philadelphia, Nov. 27 (I.L.N.S.)—Seven thousand clerks, members of the Retail Clerks' International Protective Association, A. F. of L. affiliate, ended a strike in more than 1,500 stores of three food chains operating in this area, following decision to accept a compromise settlement providing wage increase and a union shop.

The strike lasted a month, having been begun by 2,000 members of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America. The workers accepted a new agreement after two weeks, providing for pay increase and other concessions.

The clerks accepted the settlement by an overwhelming majority. They are employed in stores of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, American Stores Company and Food Fair markets, operating in Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern Maryland and Delaware. The contract for the Food Fair stores will go into effect when the present one expires on December 31. The new contract for all three chains will expire on June 1, 1942.

The settlement provided the clerks with general wage increases of \$1 to \$2 a week and a union shop contract.



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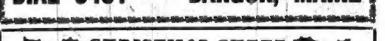
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Older Members of Bangor Carpenters Union Express Much Pleasure Over Substantial Increase in Membership

Notwithstanding Bad Weather, Work for Building Mechanics is Holding Up and Prospects for Increased Employment on Construction of Government Projects Gives Further Promise for Steady Employment—Local 421 Subscribes to The Labor News for All Its Members.

In his review of activities of Bangor Local 421 of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Secretary John H. Ambrose writes as follows: "I am greatly pleased to report that our membership has been considerably increased during the last few months, thereby contributing to the pleasure and satisfaction of its older members. It is also pleasing to report that the membership is taking a more lively interest in the proceedings of the union. After our last meeting, on December 1st, we enjoyed some very interesting and instructive moving and talking pictures, which were fully appreciated by the goodly number present. "Although carpenter work in this section is slackening a little because of the inclement weather, the members are much pleased with the prospect of good times in the near future because of the money to be expended here by

the Government for war preparations. This is expected to increase employment to a large extent. One of the good jobs the union did recently was to subscribe for The Labor News for all of its members in good standing. This will give them an opportunity to become more conversant with the news of the day relating to labor activities. Officers of Local 421 are as follows: President, John J. Mosher; vice-president, Kenneth Gilley; recording secretary, John H. Ambrose; financial secretary, Arthur H. 28 Post Office Square; Secretary, Ambrose's address is 83 Pine Street, telephone 4763.

War Department Orders Contractors On Defense Work to Comply With Prevailing Union Practices

In a recent letter of instructions to all construction quartermasters, Brig. Gen. C. D. Harvill, commanding quartermaster general, lays down rigid orders in relation to labor relations on defense work. In a letter to John F. Coyne, president of the Building and Construction Trades Department, A. F. of L., Gen. Harvill states that labor conditions on any one project may have national significance, and that cases involving labor should be referred to his office before final action is taken on construction quartermasters. "The letter of instructions" requires that all mechanics must be paid less than those established by the Secretary of Labor. Payment also must be made in one check or in cash, and when by check facilities must be provided for cashing the checks. "Time in excess of 8 hours per day must be paid for at not less than one and one-half times the basic rate, and time worked on Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays must be paid for at over time rates "in accordance with local recognized practices". Strict attention is to be paid to subcontracting, and "No deductions of any kind from wages due employees are allowed unless permitted by law and shall be made directly or indirectly in any manner by the contractor or

subcontractor." Payment must be made in one check with no "kickback" or rebate. Contractors are required to maintain accurate time sheets, safety devices as are necessary, together with adequate emergency hospital and first aid stations, equipment, supplies, and trained personnel; and also "such living quarters, water, and sanitary facilities" as needed. Labor officials point out that non-union workers who secure work on defense contracts are getting a good break in wages and conditions which were secured for them by organized labor. The War Department, besides requiring strict observance of union conditions, also gives workmen the further protection also a benefit from organized labor. "The contractor shall maintain at all times adequate employee liability or workmen's compensation insurance for all mechanics and laborers." These instructions to construction quartermasters on all defense projects insure that employees engaged on this work will enjoy all the benefits of union conditions and wages and is one of the reasons why non-union workmen are flocking to defense work by the thousands and is causing non-union builders to inquire about a change of mechanics.

Gilman Paper Makers' Union to Establish Relief Fund to Assist Members During Illness or Trouble

GILMAN, Vermont, December 16th.—Included among his recommendations as part of the program of activities of Gilman Local 419 of the Brotherhood of Paper Makers, President Leonard A. Boudry, who was elected by acclamation at the meeting held on Sunday, December 1, suggested a special fund

be created for the benefit of any brother member who experienced a lot of hard luck, such as sickness to himself or family, so as to enable the local to make a gift of money to help tide him over during his troubles. Each member will donate ten or fifteen cents a week to help build up this fund.

"On Friday, December 4th," writes Secretary Lawrence J. Newman in respect to activities of Local 218 during the past month, "we held our annual Paper Makers' Ball, which was enjoyed by all, both attended and much credit is due the committee which had charge of arrangements. "Louis Morse, who has been a member of our local for ten years, and a member of the Executive Board, returned for a good many years, returned to his duties at the mill last week. He had been absent for about two months and everyone is glad to see him on the job again."

Following is the result of the annual election: President, Leonard Thomsen; vice-president, Franklin Wadsworth; recording secretary, Amos Blood; financial secretary, Lawrence J. Newman; treasurer, Fred Collette; sergeant-at-arms, Charles Belmont. Auditors: Jack Gunther, Amos Blood and I. J. Newman.

Vt. Federation Exec. Board to Prepare Legislative Program

Announcement was made by Secretary Robert Blivill of the Vermont Federation of Labor that Executive Board Carol G. Comings will call a meeting of the Executive Board before January 1 to complete the Federation's legislative program, preparatory for submission to the opening of the 1941 Legislature, which is scheduled to hold its first session on January 4th. Included in the program will be an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation Act to include occupational diseases; opposition to unnecessary work performed on Monday; a State Labor Relations Act and Wage-Hour law to conform with Federal statutes; amendments to the social security law; as this refers to its application and interpretation, and other measures. Officials of the Federation feel confident that the incoming Legislature will accord labor bills better treatment than has been the case during the past few years. Many new unions started in various parts of the State since adjournment of the last Legislature, and added prestige won by the Federation through the affiliation of these organizations; also apparent willingness on the part of members of the State Grange to cooperate on measures affecting both farmers and labor interests, gives reason to believe better results can be obtained. In its effort to secure cooperation from affiliated organizations, the Federation will ask officials of local unions to make personal contact with their Senators and Representatives, and by this means hope to achieve good results. A request will also be made of local unions to be represented in as large numbers as possible at legislative hearings, notices of which will be sent them as it dates on which these are to be held.

Wholesalers Promise Assistance to Hold Consumer Prices

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29 (I.L.N.D.)—An action described by observers as "cut and dried" in the wholesaling industry met here and pledged its cooperation to the National Defense Advisory Commission division of consumer protection, while advocating maintenance of consumer price levels as low as are conducive to a steady flow of consumer goods, and resolving to discourage excessive inventories. Following the earlier lead of the retailing industry, the wholesalers named a nine-man committee to advise the defense commission, and also resolved to discourage unwarranted changes in prices. "No one disclosed how consumer price levels are to be kept low in the midst of "knockouting wholesale prices."

THE LABOR NEWS, A YEAR

Eight Dollars Per Week Paid to German Worker

New York, N. Y.—Although German workers worked eighteen hours longer each week, the average American worker earned three times as much in 1939, just before the outbreak of the European war, according to a report based upon official statistics and released by Matthew W. Hill, president of the League for Human Rights "Freedom and Democracy."

The German Worker Earned an Average of 14 Cents per Hour, or \$8 for the 48-hour week, while the American worker earned 42 cents an hour, or \$20.16 for an average week of 48 hours.

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ilies living on this small average monthly "pittance" need \$9500 that much income for a minimum standard of living. The unmet needs of two-thirds of our people make up the greatest new market that has ever loomed before our businessmen and farmers. It's right in our own backyard. We've got to have some legislation that has ways to build a more industrial, and therefore a more prosperous America."

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East Millinocket Correspondent Says Increase of Accidents in Maine Woods and Number of People Who Cat Lost, Should Compel Other Means of Employment—Present Law Dealing With is Likened To "Locking the Barn After Horse is Stolen"

By LEONARD GAGNON.

Just one, went out again the following week and got lost the second time. The mill whistle was blown at regular intervals in an effort to aid him find his way back to civilization but it seems to this step-by-step that if the whistle was heard, it would only aid to the confusion of an already disoriented hunter.

We believe that the best way to prevent the loss of human lives and the deer is to issue licenses only to men who are qualified to carry a high-powered rifle into the woods and give them the privilege to sell deer meat to those of us who don't know a rifle from a sword-off sabre. The story was told in this corner last fall about a "sport" who, coming up this way for a deer, was hoaxed a rifle by a local man. The so-called "sport" tried to put the cartridges down the barrel of the rifle and swearing because they wouldn't fit. When told that they should go into the magazine, he didn't know what was meant, but he still believed that he was qualified to carry a dangerous weapon into the woods. Nearly everybody likes deer meat and to cut down on the family grocery budget, a large number of men who are not familiar with firearms are sold hunting licenses by the State without any sort of examination as to their qualifications. Some realize their lack of knowledge but when the budget is low in the fall they decide to try their luck, after having to stay in the woods overnight besides losing a day's pay and sometimes more. If the laws gave them permission to buy a deer or even a hind quarter from someone who is more at home in the woods than in a night club, it would save a lot of trouble for a large number of families.

FHA Head Predicts Best Winter Building Season in 12 Years

Although the normal seasonal peak of residential building in many sections of the country has passed, an unusually high volume of construction this winter even in regions where activity formerly came to a virtual halt is forecast by Federal Housing Administration officials.

The present outlook is for the best winter building season in more than twelve years, he said. It means many more cities, builders are preparing to throw off the habit of winter inactivity and are planning a busy season.

Mr. McDonald's forecast was based on new business booked by the FHA during the past few weeks. An examination of applications for mortgage insurance received in October shows an increase of 25 per cent over the corresponding month of last year, and the trend continued into November.

Several reasons were advanced by Mr. McDonald for this advancement of building activity, including—improved favorable financing plans available under the Federal Housing Administration program—improved methods of year-round construction; general improvement in business conditions.

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LIVERMORE FALLS

John J. McNamara, Int. President Brotherhood Firemen and Oilers, Is Speaker at Local Union Meeting

Members of Livermore Falls Local 777 of the International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers listened to an interesting address by International President John J. McNamara at the semi-monthly meeting, held in Moore's Hall on Friday evening, November 21. After congratulating members for the good progress made by the local during the past year, Brother McNamara spoke of the unprecedented membership gains made by the Brotherhood during the past year, and the improved conditions secured as a result.

Increased industrial activity, President McNamara said, in connection with the Government's defense program offer splendid opportunities for conducting membership drives, and he outlined various ways through which this can be accomplished.

He referred to the stand taken by the A. F. of L. at its recent convention in New Orleans, for cooperating with the Government in its efforts to prepare against possible invasion, and said that this same cooperation is extended by our Brotherhood and all other international unions affiliated with the Federation.

Addressing the officers, Mr. McNamara forcefully pointed out that the success of their local is largely dependent on their activities, and urged all to pay special attention to their official duties, which are of great importance for the success of the union.

He pointed with some satisfaction to his early experience as an officer of the

local union, when with other members he walked the railroad tracks at all hours of the night in search of new members to enlarge the roster of the local union. This and other incidents which occurred during those arduous days of organizing bring back memories, he said, that give utmost satisfaction when one realizes conditions today as compared with those of more years ago.

Officers who will serve the local for the coming year are as follows: President, Robert Boyle; vice-president, Bernard Steyer; recording secretary, E. Wardlaw; secretary-treasurer, Letourneau; sergeant-at-arms, W. G. Warren; R. F. Fournier; Trustee—Ernest Deloach, W. Gould, R. Fournier.

Harold Hinchard has been granted a withdrawal card. He left the employment of the International Paper Co. to work for a Lumber firm.

In and Out Of The News

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will remain on the premises at Quoddy Village. They will prepare the general program for what is expected to be the eighth step in the continuation of the present program. January 14 is set as the date for resumption of the work.

Jehovah's Witnesses To Have Private School

It is known to many people that inquiries have been made by representatives of the sect known as Jehovah's Witnesses for the establishment of a private school for the use of their children. This is held to have grown out of the public discussion of court cases involving branches of school discipline, with regard to substituting the national flag.

The Jehovah's Witnesses are opposed to the outward form of patriotism and have instructed their children who attend public schools in their refusal to obey that regulation.

The approval of the local School Committee and also that of the State Department of Education is required before such a private school can be established in Maine.

AGENCIES NEEDED TO LIGHTEN AID COSTS

It is well over 2,000 years since the problem of the poor has been a matter of urgent local, state and national concern—in all lands at all times, in all ages. But with the growing complexity of the life of modern society, the solution of the problem presses harder than ever. It has become not only a matter of increased benevolence, but a matter of protecting the community and the state itself from its depressing and consuming tendencies.

Maine is facing the problem in a realistic manner, that is, admitting the cost of maintaining the public relief system, and at the same time, looking about for ways and means whereby that load may be lightened, or transferred in part. In this light, the State Legislature budget committee began a study of the problem, and a report is expected to be ready for submission to the Legislature after it convenes.

ROCKLAND ADOPTS FOOD STAMP PLAN

Rockland is to adopt the Federal system of food stamps for the distribution of certain surplus agricultural products distributed through the medium of the local public aid and maintenance agencies. The plan has been frequently explained. Its purpose is to increase consumption of such surplus products in the domestic economy which cannot be disposed of at fair or ruling prices through the ordinary channels of storage and marketing.

The retail markets and food dealers in the city will be called upon to become so familiar with the rules and regulations under which the stamps may be exchanged for food products, that sharp penalties are provided by law for dishonest misuses of the stamps, the acceptance of which is voluntary on the dealer's part, but which brings responsibility to the government.

The basis of the stamp plan is the free distribution of fifty cents' worth of food stamps for each one dollar of cash stamps purchased by the public aid receiver. With these free stamps may be purchased (only) a specified list of general edibles of the designated surplus category.

HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE STUDENTS AIDED BY NYA

Through the medium of employment furnished by the National Youth Administration, costing over \$100,000 more than \$60 students in many Maine colleges and other institutions of higher education are receiving part of their college expenses. Also included are some 1,700 pupils in Maine high schools who are sharing in the opportunity thus afforded. Frank W. Welch, acting NYA administrator, is authority for the statement.

The work of the NYA is of nationwide application. Students of number of 150,000 will have work in colleges and universities during the 1940-1941 academic year. The types of work range from the scientific to the manual and include library and secretarial employment.

Judges Fine Employers for Violating Labor Law

San Francisco, Nov. 27 (APL)—State Labor Commissioner H. C. Carrasco announced that fines had been imposed on two employers found guilty of violating the labor laws of California. Justice of the Peace Fenwick L. Jackson fined Henry DeWolfe \$50 for employing under-aged children on his land in the Tracy-Banta section. The youngster's three children, ages 11, 13 and 14, at periods when they should have been in school.

Judge Frank Duane fined Brunswick Knitting Mills of San Francisco \$50 for violating the eight-hour law for women. It was revealed that the company required their employees to return to work after they had completed their regular working day of eight hours and had punched out. The violation record was kept secretly and the time cards showed work for only eight hours. It was charged.

PEEPSHOT

"Hats off to Joe Pagurko Who Did Valiant Work for Our Union," Say Members of Local Union 66

Congratulations Showered Upon Union Head As He is Chosen to Serve a Second Term at Annual Election of Officers—Organizer Fred Morris and J. Phair Jones, President of Maine District Council of Paper Mill Unions, Speak at Banquet Following Election.

"Brother Joseph J. Pagurko, who was our president during 1939, was elected to serve an additional term for the coming year. So, what do you say, boys? Let's take our hats off to Joe, the man who has worked so hard for us in the past. Let's show him that we are all with him and for him all the way!"

Your correspondent was inspired to write the above few words mainly in commendation for the splendid services rendered by our president, but the enthusiasm manifested by members at the December 5th meeting, which from the standpoint of attendance and interest manifested, was probably the best and most constructive meeting held since this local was instituted.

Sixth Vice-President Fred Morris of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers was present at both the meeting and the banquet that followed the election of officers, and so was J. Phair Jones,

president of the Maine District Council of Paper Mill Unions, who, besides highly complimenting the local on the splendid progress made during the past year, urged all present to stand solidly behind President Pagurko and his staff of officers in their efforts to maintain the high standards established during the past few years.

Other officers elected at the December 5th meeting are as follows: Vice-president, Fred Jones; recording secretary, Armand Maynard; financial secretary, John Woodard; treasurer, J. Phair Jones.

Executive board members are: Fred Goulette, Oscar Maynard, and Mr. Pagurko.

Trustees and auditors, Wilfred Dube, Mike Pagurko and President Pagurko. Local meetings are held in Community Hall, Peepsnot, on the second Sunday of each month.

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Employees of the Maine Seaboard Paper Company have recently organized a Credit Union, which promises to be a real help and an incentive to save money for all its members. It is run on a payroll deduction basis, and members are active savers. They receive twenty-five cents to \$2.00 per week. We also include many members who need it for productivity or prudent purposes.

The officers of the Credit Union are as follows: President, Leo J. Ashy; vice-president, Charles Stewart; treasurer, Arthur Kimball; clerk, John Harvey; chairman of education committee, Harold M. Sullivan; Credit Committee: Charles Tyle, Edward Harpe and George Johnson; Supervisory Committee, James Biddell, Edward Nickless and Mathew Rosebush.

The Maine Seaboard Paper Co. gave its employees a party on November 24 at the Alamo Theater, on the occasion of its 16th anniversary in making paper. All employees who have been with the company ten years received a 10-year service button. A feature was the showing out of a total of about 600 employees, 118 of them have been with the company ten years.

A Home Guard unit has recently been formed, consisting mostly of men from the Seaboard plant. This unit is to take the place of the National Guard while the latter is called into training for a year.

The Maine Seaboard employees are a very active group of men. They participate in all kinds of sports, including baseball, softball, tennis and golf.

In the summer (football in the fall, and basketball and bowling in the winter. Most of them are experts in fishing, hunting and motor cycle sports. They are one of the most lively groups of men to be found anywhere in the country.

Almost 25 Per Cent Gain in Retail Store Sales from '35 to '39

Who says business isn't good? According to the Census Bureau of the Department of Commerce, total retail sales in Maine gained 24 per cent from 1935 to 1939, and that total payrolls in 1939 were \$25,075,000, compared with \$21,200,000 in 1935, and \$22,815,000 in 1939.

These figures, showing as they do a 22 per cent increase since 1932, and the 1939 figure nearly equal the record of 1929, should give calamity howlers some of whom are "sailing away" more money than they ever did before—no change their tune and join up with the army of people who have faith and confidence in their government.

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Thanks God for Law

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Goes "Over the Top"

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...the tremendous overhead carried by insurance companies at the expense of both employers and injured workers.

Other officers elected are as follows: William L. Hutcherson, Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, first vice-president; Thomas A. Hickert, United Garment Workers, second vice-president; Edward J. Calver, National Association of Letter Carriers, ninth vice-president; W. D. Mahon, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees and Motor Coach Employees, tenth vice-president; Felix H. Knight, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen, eleventh vice-president; Edward Picot, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders' League, thirteenth vice-president; Harvey Brown, International Association of Machinists, fourteenth vice-president; Daniel J. Tobin, Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers, seventh vice-president; Harry C. Smith, Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers' International Union, eighth vice-president; Edward J. Calver, National Association of Letter Carriers, ninth vice-president; W. D. Mahon, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees and Motor Coach Employees, tenth vice-president; Felix H. Knight, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen, eleventh vice-president; Edward Picot, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders' League, thirteenth vice-president; Harvey Brown, International Association of Machinists, fourteenth vice-president; Daniel J. Tobin, Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers, seventh vice-president; Harry C. Smith, Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers' International Union, eighth vice-president; George Meany, secretary-treasurer.

McGrady Named

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...him to adjust numerous labor disputes. His job will be to iron out or avert difficulties such as occurred at the Vultee aircraft plant, which it is said, had threatened to delay production of defense material.

Two Former CIO

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...Labor movement in the coming year. I expect public opinion as the moral vital force in American life, and I believe the time will come as long when no man can stand up and defy public opinion in the United States.

Extension of the boycott against Japanese and German goods and services. Endorsement of the 30-hour week as organized labor's ultimate goal and solution for unemployment with the proviso, however, that the AFL will be ready to make any useful sacrifice to speed the completion of the national defense program.

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Addressing the convention, Lois M. McCreone, president of the Mexican Labor Federation, said agents of the Euzen dictatorship were busy stirring up fear and suspicion against the United States, but that these propaganda efforts could be defeated through united labor action embracing Korea and South America. He described his own organization as the only "independent" labor movement in Mexico, and complaining that it had suffered "unbelievable persecution" at the hands of the Mexican government because of its refusal to accept political domination.

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